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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

SUBJECT : Air Conditioning.

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I. JUSTIFICATION

a. Actual loss of 32,000 man hours by dismissals due to excessive heat valued at \$150,000 from 25 June to 29 July 1952.

b. It is estimated that as a minimum an additional \$100,000 was lost in time during the remainder of the summer season of 1952. (Emphasize that this does not include intangibles.)

II. BACKGROUND

Prior to the release of \$750,000 by the Bureau of the Budget and the expenditure by CIA for air conditioning in temporary buildings, the following discussions and approvals were obtained:

a. Comptroller General:

Mr. Houston, CIA General Counsel, discussed the matter with Mr. Lyle Fisher, General Counsel to the Comptroller General. Mr. Fisher stated that he would have no objection to our expenditure of unvouchered funds for procurement of the necessary air conditioning equipment, provided we had the specific approval of the appropriate members of Congress, presumably Mr. Mahon and Mr. O'Mahoney.

b. The Congress:

General Smith personally discussed this matter with Senators Ferguson and O'Mahoney and Representatives Mahon and Tabor, obtaining their individual approvals.

c. Bureau of the Budget:

With knowledge of the fact that the Comptroller General would offer no objection to this expenditure and that the above-mentioned Senators and Representatives had approved of the expenditure, the Bureau of the Budget approved and released \$750,000 which has been expended to air condition our temporary buildings.

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